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Re: U.S. Non-Provisional Utility Patent Application
Appl. No.: to be assigned; Filed: July 1, 2003
For: **Non-Snagging Protective Guide for Fish Tapes**
Inventor: Danny G. Hazel
Our Ref: 394900/00001

Dear Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. U.S. Utility Non-Provisional Patent Application entitled:
Non-Snagging Protective Guide Fish Tapes
and naming as inventor:
Danny G. Hazel
the application comprising:
 - (i) 13 pages of Specification,
 - (ii) 4 pages of claims (Total =19, Independent = 2),
 - (iii) a one (1) page abstract, and
 - (iv) 2 sheets of informal drawings: (Figures 1-5);
2. Form PTO-1082 (in duplicate);
3. A facsimile of an originally executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney by Danny G. Hazel;



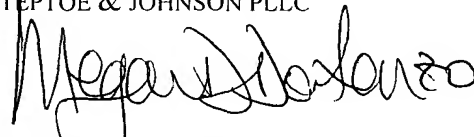
4. Information Disclosure Statement (in duplicate);
5. PTO 1449 (with 4 references);
6. Our Check No. 7-022812 for \$375.00 to cover \$375.00 filing fee for patent application (small entity status), and
7. One (1) return post card.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the filing date and unofficial application number and returned as soon as possible.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

Inventor: Danny G. Hazel

For: Non-Snagging Protective Guide for Fish Tapes

Enclosed are:

X 2 sheets of informal drawings (figures 1-5).X Applicant claims small entity status.

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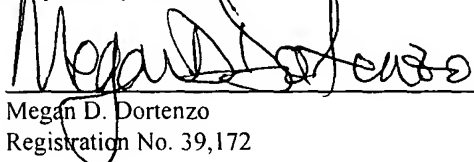
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